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Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed 06/20/2008, setting a one month period for response, applicants timely submit with this communication:

- (a) a copy of the notice indicating submission of an unsigned amendment;
- (b) a copy of the Amendment and Create Statement as originally submitted on May 20, 2008, but now signed at page 8.

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(37 CFR 1.121)			Art Unit				
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The amendment document filed on <u>23 May, 2008</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required.							
THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  C. Other							
<ul> <li>2. Abstract:</li> <li>A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37</li> <li>B. Other</li> </ul>	CFR 1.72.						
<ul> <li>3. Amendments to the drawings:</li> <li>A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> <li>B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required.</li> <li>C. Other</li> </ul>							
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5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or no of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121	t signed in accordance, see MPEP § 714.	with 37 CF	FR 1.4): For furth	er explanation			
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